Dear Brother Robinson:

I trust you may find room for this as a communication in "The Presbyterian". You are not responsible for the sentiments — they are mine! Best greetings

Yours

1303. Main St.
Avoca. Pa
Jan 27-1932

The Presbyterian.

In looking over some old copies of your magazine, I came across an article "Cigarettes for the dainty Sex".
Some time ago I wrote some verses on this subject, which I sent to several magazines and news papers, none of whom printed them, and as I figure it, their reason for not doing so was on account of Cigarette advertising. Judging from the tone of this article I take it that it would not be against the principle of The Presbyterian to print it. On the other side of this sheet you will find the verses, and if you think they are worth while, and print them, I would appreciate it very much if you would send me a copy of the magazine in which you do print them

Respy Yours
Walter Anderson.

No. I send the verses on a seperate sheet.

MAITLAND ALEXANDER
"POPLAR HILL"
BOX 62
SEWICKLEY, PENNA.

Dear Court.

I have delayed answering your letter because I was "mad" & in my old age I have learned not to write when I am "mad". In answer to yours.

1. My friendship for you has always been the same & will continue as through the millenium & which we both look forward.

2. You have told me what a hard time you have had with that bunch of "pius & beautiful souls" which make up your board. Craig was put out & you put in & Oakley time. Whatever it was they wanted.

3. I being boanerges in my ideas and being always willing "to hit a head" when it sticks up may have a wrong idea of which does the most good, an appearance "warlike" if you choose policy or one which thinks & will by persuasion. This is where any two men may differ on the policy of a paper.

4. Laird is a busy body.

5. I reiterate any thing I can ever do for you I will do and wish I had enough money to buy & run the Presbyterian. You would be the editor

and learned interfere with work by printing what I think of the General Council & the Home & Foreign Boards not to speak the board of Education. But no one realizes better than I do that my "teeth are pulled" So I take it out by talking to myself. So do not write me another letter like that. You are a Christian & I am a Heathen because I ought to have died when they burned heretics & not waited until they corrupted the Church

Affectionately yours W. R.

Saturday

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Dear Dr. Robinson,

Thank you for your letter of February 25, enclosing the inquiry from Mr. Caldwell. We have sent on to him information about our work.

We were very much gratified to read the article in last week's"Presbyterian". I have been reading your paper for about five years and do appreciate all that you are doing in its publication.

It occurs to me that you might like to have some of the literature that we use to give information concerning our Mission in case there might be other inquiries such as this one from Mr. Caldwell, and so I am sending you under separate cover some of this matter.

Yours faithfully,

H. Edwin V. Andrews

Mr. W. Courtland Robinson, D. D.
Editor of "The Presbyterian"
1217 Market Street
Philadelphia

A/h

**First Presbyterian Church**

**EDWARDSVILLE, ILLINOIS.**

**Carl L. Attig, Pastor**

To the Stated Clerks
of the Presbyteries.

Dear Brethren:-

Alton Presbytery without dissenting vote adopted the accompanying statement to Dr. Covert and the Board of Christian Education. The writer of this letter was appointed to strike off copies and forward them to the Stated Clerks of the Presbyteries for consideration and, if the members be so disposed, that similar word be sent to the committee of the Board of Christian Education having in charge the publication of the proposed new hymnal.

If we may judge by expressions that come to us personally, a large part of the ministers of the church and very many members desire such a change. This seems to be especially true of ministers who sing.

Since those who desire the present style have the HYMNAL REVISED and the SMALLER HYMNAL and have had their kind since the mind of man runneth not to the contrary it would seem to be the fair thing for those who desire another to have their wishes gratified in the forth-coming hymnal.

Will you kindly present the subject to your Presbytery at your earliest convenience? Will you also kindly notify the committee having charge of the publication of the new hymnal through Dr. William Chalmers Covert if any action is taken? Should there be only a minority in your Presbytery in favor of such a change it would be appreciated if you would tell him approximately how large that minority is.

Sincerely,

Carl L. Attig.

First Presbyterian Church
EDWARDSVILLE, ILLINOIS
CARL L. ATTIG, PASTOR

February 11, 1932.

Rev. W. C. Robinson, D.D.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Dr. Robinson:-

Enclosed is a copy of a statment adopted by Alton Presbytery at its last meeting. Similar copies with the enclosed letter were sent to all the Stated Clerks of Presbyteries (except foreign). Perhaps it may be of interest to you as the editor of THE PRESBYTERIAN.

I know not what may be your attitude on the subject but in the twenty years I have been preaching I have heard many many complaints about the form of our hymn books and some of the tunes. It is a fact that the commercial houses publishing hymn books seem to be publishing all their books with the words between the staves and they also have sold many copies to Presbyterian Churches. No long ago I ran through some of the advertising literature and looked up the churches named as having purchased their books and found that they were churches that "counted." I know that it would be a hard thing for me to recommend to our church that we purchase books published by any other than our Board and suspect that the ministers of the churches named had the same experience.

During the past year I have taken a number of opportunites to sound out groups of both ministers and laymen on the subject and have hardly found a dissenting word. The answer has come right back immediately that they thought that the words should be between the staves. It seems to me that the singing in some of our churches is pitiful and I believe that some of it is due to the fact that singers must keep moving the eye several inches from the music to the words. An organist said to me "perhaps you have not thought of the fact that the organist finds it difficult to look down and see what verse is being sung as they now are printed." She said that more than once she nearly had lost her place in so doing.

An article on "Why SING Hymns" might not be a bad thing some time.

Sincerely,

Carl L. Attig.

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February 2, 1932.

Mr. W. C. Robinson,
1217 Market Street,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Thank you for your letter of February 1 advising that you are absent from Dehli, New York, and that you will not be able to deposit the American Community Power Company Secured Gold Debentures 5½% Series due 1953 which you hold until you return to that place.

In behalf of the Protective Committee for these Debentures, please be assured that your cooperation in this matter is appreciated and we shall be glad to have you deposit your holdings upon your return to Dehli about April 1st.

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

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February 1, 1932.

Mr. Roy Allison,
318 E. Union Avenue,
Wheaton, Ill.

Dear Mr. Allison:

I thank you very much for your letter of January 29th. We may take the liberty of printing it.

Yours very sincerely,

WCR*E

January 14, 1932.

Rev. Frank E. Allen,
Hopkinton,
Iowa.

Dear Mr. Allen:

We received "The Acts of the Apostles" which you wrote. I send these books to various men to review. This was sent to Rev. Joseph A. Schofield, Jr., Gouverneur, New York, who is a director of Westminster Seminary and therefore, as you must know, thoroughly sound in the faith. Mr. Schofield is a man of ability, a Phi Beta Kappa man University of Pennsylvania. His chief fault is that he is slow and just now is probably hindered by the advent of a new baby in his home.

I think we will have a good review very soon. I will forward your letter to him in the hope it will stir him up.

Very cordially yours,

WCR*E

1151 Seventh St Lorain, O. Jan 14. 1932

Rev. W. Courtland Robinson D.D.
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Dr. Robinson:

We all know the Prohibition question is a live issue and we all want to do all we can to help in the good cause. Dr. Luther, Gov. Ritchie, Ex Gov. Smith and others have tried to give force to an idea of their own that the Amendment is out of harmony with the purpose of the Constitution and should be repealed. I have not seen any effective statement on the other side, I have prepared a statement which I inclose with the hope of your approval and the hope that you will use it as soon as convenient, for we all know that the good Presbyterian is always on the side of temperance morality, sound religion and good government.

Yours respectfully,

John S. Axtell.

1151,7th.st.Lorain,Ohio,Jan.8.1932.

Rev.W.Courtland Robinson,D.D.

Philadelphia,Pa.

Dear Dr.Robinson:

I regret to say that our good Presbyterian visitor continues to fail to appear.The last received was Dec.24.I think the faul is in our delivery here;but I have not yet been able to get it corrected. We miss its helpful visits.

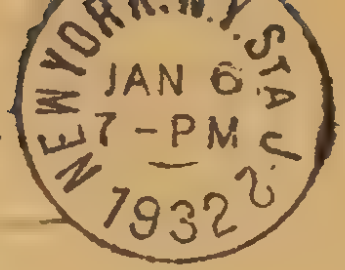
I inclose a short statement on the Pope"s recent statement.If you think it will be helpfull,you can use it as you think best.

I inclose also a brief reply to the 'correction" which Dr.Johnston has made to my statements on 'Christian Marriage",etc.I do not think a reply is really necessary,and perhaps it will be as well to omit it, If you think it will be helpful in keeping up the interest and in securing better results,you can publish it.

Thanking you for your favors,and imploring for you continued success in your good work,

Respectfully yours, J.S.Axtell.

F. Aston
140 Claremont Avenue
New York City



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

The Presbyterian
1217 Market Street
Philadelphia
Penna.

January 6, 1932

The Presbyterian,
Philadelphia.

Dear Sir:

May I kindly ask you as to whether there will be an enumeration for my article "How a Heathen found Christ" published in the Presbyterian of 1.7.32.

Would it be too much to ask you have 10 copies of this issue with my article?

Yours sincerely

Frederick Alfred Olsen

140 Claremont Ave.
New York City.

382 Main St -

Oneonta N. Y.

Jan 4 1932

My dear Count -

The Christmas holidays have been so full and I have had so much to do. Yet I have wished had time to acknowledge your letter, but I want to thank you and Gus for your present. I hope you received my Card all right. I sent it to your business address because I had no other place to send it. I dreaded the holiday season very much because I feared it would be a time of great loneliness for me. But to my joy I had so invitations, for Christmas Eve, and Christmas day and for a dinner party on New Years Eve you see I had quite so much pleasure so I was entitled to. Now it is all over and we will settle back once more into

every day life. I have no doubt you had a happy time with Stewart and his little family. How fortunate you are to have children and grandchildren about you. Ordinarily I get on pretty well, but at this season my former condition and my loneliness weigh on me.

I am sorry to know that you think of resigning your editorial position in March. This, in a sense is a selfish wish because I like your paper so much, and I think it is better than it used to be in the old days. But after forty years of work we cannot blame you if you long for rest during your declining years. I look for the paper every week, and read it with as much pleasure.

I am living along much as usual. The hard times have hit me, as they have every body else, and a trip to England which I was planning for the spring and

early summer must be given up.
But I am very thankful that things are
as well as they are.

Thank you once again for your Christ-
mas Greeting and may you have a
happy and prosperous New Year.

Give my love to Gus.

Affectionately your
sister Mai.

I wish I could see Stewart and Anne
and their small family once again.
I have a very warm place in my heart
for Stewart and Anne is always charming.
Please remember me to them.

M.